Pioneer Trail

BCHU Chapter: Wasatch Front Back Country Horsemen

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Name of the Trailhead: North Ogden Posse Grounds

Other Trails Connecting to this Trail: Bonneville Shoreline Trail, Ben Lomond Trail, Mt Ogden Trail

Elevation at trailhead: 4800 ft Trailhead Latitude and Longitude: N 41° 18' 15.577", W 111° 56' 1.867"

Property of: USFS & City of North Ogden **Other maps:** North Ogden UT (1:25,000)

Camping and use restrictions at the trailhead and along the route: No Camping

Difficulty: Easy To complete this route, horses need to be: Moderately Fit

Directions to the Trailhead from: I 15 Farr West/Pleasant View Exit 349 East on E2600 N to Mountain Road then north to Posse Grounds parking lot.

TRAIL-ROUTE DIRECTIONS AND DESCRIPTION: Ride north along street to trail entrance. There is a narrow gate and a sometimes flowing stream at the entrance. You may wish to dismount and lead your horse across as these two obstacles are sometimes spooky. Follow the old maintenance road to the left and go right after crossing the creek again over a culvert. If you veer to the left here, you will be following the Bonneville Shoreline Trail which goes all the way to Brigham City. Press on up the hill and through another narrow opening along the creek and to the south of the North Ogden Divide Road. The trail will change from a maintenance road to a single track with a steady climb. You will ride across one wooden bridge and then climb switchbacks to the top of North Ogden Pass. Here you will find USFS restroom facilities and the North Ogden Trailhead. You can transfer north to the Ben Lomond Peak trail or south to the Mt Ogden trail. Continuing east over the divide, you will switch back down into the Ogden valley and a trailhead close to Wolf Mountain Ski Resort. This was the trail used by the pioneers on this end of the valley to traverse from Ogden Valley into Ogden.

Type of route: Out and Back Length of route: approximately 8.5 mi Estimated ride duration: 3 hours

Attractions: easy ride, scenic views, beautiful at sunset, insects are not usually a problem, A nice evening ride in the summer. Front Country Riding

Months of accessibility: Mar - Nov (Bonneville Shoreline Trail may be usable in Winter)

Description of the Route: General - Jeep trail, path; Predominant Surface- Dirt;

Obstacles - One Stream crossing, two narrow gates, one bridge, ride next to street to get to entrance

Current Level of use by: Hikers: Moderate; Bicyclists: Moderate; ATV's: NA

Hospital: Ogden Police/Fire/Ambulance: 911

*****Additional notes:** Please ensure you clean up your parking space, if it came with you, take it with you.

Remember always to use your best judgment. Always take a moment to consider the suitability the weather, trail conditions, your horsemanship skills, the skill of those in your party, and perhaps most important...the physical and mental condition of your horses before each trip.

Safe Trails !!!